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| Applicant: | Norbert P. Kusters et al. | Examiner: | Neveen Abel Jalil |
| Application No.: | 10/684,900 | Group Art Unit: | 2165 |
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| Title: | OPTIMIZING DEFRAGMENTATION OPERATIONS IN A DIFFERENTIAL SNAPSHOTTER | | |

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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Attn: Examiner Neveen Abel Jalil
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 4, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.